

Cat. No. 65-754
OWNER'S MANUAL

Please read before using this equipment.


Handheld Printing
Calculator

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Paper Feed Key - lets you quickly advance the print paper without affecting calculations.

Non-Add Print Key - lets you print dates, code numbers, or other reference numbers without affecting the calculations. You can also print out only the calculation results.

Two-Way Paper Feed - lets you feed paper from an internal compartment or from a convenient fold-out roll holder.

Two Power Sources - let you power your calculator from four AA batteries or standard AC power (with an optional AC adapter).

Automatic Power Off - conserves battery power by turning off the calculator about 6 minutes after the last entry.

Before you begin using your new EC3031, we recommend you completely read through this manual and familiarize yourself with the calculator's many functions and features.



This equipment complies with the limits for a Class B digital device as specified in Part 15 of FCC Rules. These limits provide reasonable protection against radio and TV interference in residential areas. However, your calculator might cause TV or radio interference even when it is operating properly. To eliminate interference, try one or more of the following corrective measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the distance between the calculator and the radio or TV.
- Use outlets on different electrical circuits for the calculator and the radio or TV.

Consult your local RadioShack store if the problem still exists.




You can power your calculator from:

- Four AA batteries (not supplied)
- Standard AC power, using an AC adapter (not supplied)

If you plan to use the print function frequently, we suggest you use an AC adapter.

## Installing Batteries

You can power your calculator from four AA batteries. We recommend alkaline batteries, such as RadioShack Cat. No. 23-552. You can also use rechargeable nickel-cadmium batteries (Cat. No. 23125) with a battery charger (Cat. No. 23-133).

 cover in the direction of the arrow and remove it.
2. Install the batteries as indicated by the polarity symbols (+ and -) marked inside the compartment.

## Cautions:

- Use only fresh batteries of the required size and type.
- Never mix fresh and old batteries, alkaline and nickel-cadmium batteries, or rechargeable batteries of different capacities.



3. Replace the cover.
4. Press AC to turn power on, then press RESET with a straightened paper clip to clear the calculator.


Replace the batteries when the printing speed slows or the display dims.

## Cautions:

- If you do not plan to use the calculator for a month or more, or you plan to use only an AC adapter, remove and store the batteries.
- Always dispose of old batteries promptly and properly.


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## Using AC Power

You can power the calculator from standard AC power, using an AC adapter such as Cat. No. 273-1664 (not supplied).



## Cautions:

- You must use an AC adapter that supplies 6 volts and delivers at least 300 milliamps. Its center tip must be set to negative, and its plug must correctly fit the calculator's jack. The recommended adapter meets these specifications. Using an adapter that does not meet these specifications could damage the calculator or the adapter.
- When you finish using the AC adapter, disconnect it from the AC outlet first, then unplug it from the calculator.

- Be sure to turn off the calculator before you connect or disconnect the AC adapter.

Follow these steps to use AC power.



1. Attach the 5.5 mm outer diameter/ 2.1 mm inner diameter barrel plug to the adapter cord, matching TIP on the plug's side with -NEG on the cord.
2. Set the adapter's voltage switch to 6 V .
3. Insert the adapter's barrel plug into the calculator's jack.
Note: Battery power automatically disconnects when you connect an AC adapter to the calculator.
4. Plug the other end of the adapter into a standard AC outlet.



Note: If the paper roll does not fit inside the paper roll compartment, you can use the external roll holder until the roll is small enough to fit inside the compartment (about one-inch diameter).

1. Press $\mathbf{A C}$ to turn on the calculator.

2. Slide open the paper roll compartment cover and lift it off.



3. Press FEED to advance the paper.

4. Install the paper roll.

- Place the paper roll inside the paper roll compartment.
- To use the external paper roll holder, raise the holder and slip the paper roll onto it.



Replace the paper roll when you see a red strip on one edge of the paper. Use a standard $2^{1 / 4}$-inch paper roll, such as Cat. No. 65-710 or 65-715.



Press AC to turn on the EC-3031. Press OFF to turn it off.

To save power, the EC-3031 automatically turns off if you do not use it for about 6 minutes. Press AC to turn it back on.

Note: All previous entries are cleared when the calculator turns off.



The EC-3031 can print and display all calculator entries and results, or simply display entries and results without printing them. You can also print a date, a reference or code number, and so on, without affecting the calculations in progress.

Note: The calculator's input buffer holds up to 7 key operations, so you can enter calculations even while the calculator is printing.

To print, press PRT. PRT appears on the display, and the calculator prints and displays all your calculator entries and results.



## Printing a Displayed Value

To print a displayed value even when the print function is turned off, press $\mathbf{P} / \#$. If the display is showing a calculation result, the EC-3031 prints that number right-justified.

> Press

Print
Display

If the display is showing your entry, the EC-3031 prints those numbers leftjustified, with a \# to the left.

| (1) $10 / 21 / 96$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (2) $\# 10022$ |  |  |
| Press | Print | Display |

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The RND key determines where the decimal appears on the display. Each time you press RND, the display changes from $\mathbf{F}$ to 5/4 to CUT.


Select $\mathbf{F}$ to display a floating decimal point. The calculator uses the full $10-$ digit display to show your calculation results.


Select 5/4 to round final calculation results to two decimal places. If the third number to the right of the decimal is 5 or greater, the final calculation rounds up. If the third number to the right of the decimal is 4 or less, the calculation rounds



Select CUT to limit final calculation results to two decimal places with no rounding. The entries and intermediate results appear with floating decimal points.
$\div 6=1315.66$
ress Print
Display



If you enter an incorrect value, press $\mathbf{C}$ once. Then enter the correct value and proceed with your calculation.


If you press an incorrect function key ( + ,

$-, \times, \div)$, simply press the correct key and continue.


$\mathbf{E}$ (error) appears at the upper left of the display when:

- A calculation result exceeds 10 digits (this is an overflow error see "Estimating Calculation Results").
- A memory calculation exceeds 10 digits (the memory contents remain unchanged).
- You try to divide by 0 .

If $\mathbf{E}$ appears, press $\mathbf{A C}$ to clear the error.


## ESTIMATING

## CALCULATION RESULTS

If you perform an operation that results in an overflow error, you can estimate the approximate value (to 10 significant digits) by following this procedure.

1. Count the number of digits displayed to the left of the decimal point.
2. Remove the decimal point.

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3. Add to the right of the number as many zeros as there were digits to the left of the decimal point.

For example, the displayed value E1.014206404 is estimated to equal 10,142,064,040 (one zero added).
4. Press $\mathbf{C}$ to clear the error.

## CALCULATION EXAMPLES

## Basic Calculations

| $(-45) \times 89+12=-3993$ |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Press | Print | Display |






## Memory Calculations

The memory calculation feature lets you easily do multi-step calculations. Use the following keys for memory calculations.


To store a value in memory, first press AC then MC to clear the memory. Then enter the number or calculation and press $\mathbf{M}^{+}$.

To add a value to the current memory value, enter the number or calculation you want to add then press $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{+}}$. The calculator totals the current calculation and adds that value to memory.

To subtract a value from the current memory value, enter the number or calculation you want to subtract, then press $\mathbf{M}$-. The calculator totals the current calculation and subtracts that value from memory.

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To recall the value from memory, press MR.

Note: An M appears on the display when the memory function is used.

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\begin{array}{cc}
(53+6)+(23-8)+(56 \times 2)+(99 \div 4)= & 210.75 \\
\text { Press } & \text { Print }
\end{array}
$$





If you made $\$ 80$ last week and $\$ 100$ this week, what is the percent increase?

| $\frac{100-80}{80} \times \mathbf{1 0 0}=\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Press | Print |  |






## REPLACING THE INK

## ROLLER

The printer uses a disposable ink roller cartridge. When the print gets too light, replace the ink roller cartridge. You can order replacement ink cartridges from your local RadioShack store.

Caution: Never try to reuse the ink roller by adding a solvent or liquid ink to it. This could damage the printer.

1. Slide open the paper roll compartment cover and lift it off.

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5. Lower the paper roll holder, if necessary.



## RESETTING THE

## CALCULATOR

If your EC-3031 locks up, you reset it, as shown in "Installing Batteries" on Page 6.


Note: The reset procedure clears all calculations and memory values.

If your EC-3031 still does not work properly, replace the batteries and press RESET again.









